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Few readers or publishers of papers fully and clearly understand the laws governing subscriptions. The decision of the United States Courts on this subject are:

1. Subscribers who do not give express notice to the contrary are considered as wishing to renew their subscription.

2. If subscribers order the discontinuance of their periodicals, the publishers may continue to send them until all arrearages are paid.

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The latest postal laws are such that newspaper publishers can arrest anyone for fraud who takes the paper and refuses to pay for it. Under this law the man who allows his subscription to run along for some time unpaid, and then orders it discontinued, or orders the postmaster to mark it "refused," and have a postal card sent notifying the publisher, leaves himself liable to arrest and fine, the same as for theft.

The county Supt. answers our request to tell why she does not apportion the state school fund, by saying she has not received any state funds. Of course she has not "received" the state funds, but doubtless the county treasurer has. Other counties have received, and the Supt. has apportioned their part of the state fund. It looks as if there was something putrid in the Danish kingdom.

If China intends to retaliate she can begin to put the retaliation machine in order, as the administration has decided to enforce the Geary Chinese law and to deport all Chinamen convicted of having failed to register, in accordance therewith. In view of the small amount of money available to be used for this purpose, the action of the administration is probably intended as a gentle reminder to Congress that it must either "fish or cut bait."

Seventh Day Advent Twisting Un-

twisted.
"When a twister like S. does try to twist
His twist to twist three times he did twist
But if one of the twists of his twist un-
twist
His twist untwisting D. can untwist the twist."

ED. PRESS. I am truly glad that our Advent twister cried enough. I trust he'll be a wiser and better man, after receiving such a theological spanking. Sorry to see him still showing his old proclivity. Webster does not define spanking "slugging." My opponent does. Is this right and fair? This is my complaint against him, which forced me to the columns of the Press; because he refused to show the true Christian spirit. I admit that my theological scriptural arguments got after him with a sharp point, and were applied rapidly. This is the meaning of a theological spanking, according to Webster. Hence the squirming and twisting; resorting to such hypocritical can't, assuming the dignity of a minister of love and peace at the end of the battle.

Why didn't he take some of this medicine when he pitched his tent, and especially before he wrote his first article. He would not have written each gross misrepresentation and false charges, impeaching Mr. Campbell and his follow-

ers as Antinomians, "traitor" "reprobate." "Mr. D. can steal hay but keep the law in the spirit." All who do not believe in, and worship on the Sabbath "their minds are dwarfed by the soul destroying doctrines of Antinomianism." "The first day is the devil's day, all who worship on that day are sacrificing to devils." "Mr. D. is an Antinomian and I have nothing to retract." Is this the language of the lowly Nazarene you speak of, or, cold hearted 7th dayism? Did I misrepresent you? Do you charge me with it? No Sir, you can't, I beseech you to preach this gospel of love and peace, instead of harping over the dry bones of an abrogated Sabbath.

You ask the reader to take the bible, why don't you? I quoted 4 distinct scriptures to prove that Moses' law was God's law—one law, and in the face of the words of Christ, you deny it; besides 24 passages of scripture bearing on the issue. Did you notice them? Not one. Still you complain of scripture arguments not presented.

I doubt the mental capacity of any preacher so narrowly contracted as to write; "I find that the bible recognizes no other law as God's law but the ten commandments." If he honestly believes this, he scarcely has sense enough to pound sand into a rat hole. Mrs. E. G. White said, and my opponent believes it. "Angels are governed by the law of God, the commandments." Now think of such absurdity.

Did the angels keep the Sabbath of 24 hours? Is their day regulated by sun shine? Take this "Thy son, nor thy daughter, thy man servant, nor thy maid servant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger with-in thy gates."

Honor bright, now look at Sab-batharian delusion "sons" daughters "and thy neighbor's wife." When Jesus says "in heaven they neither marry, nor are given in marriage." Again, "cattle" "ox" "ass." Do angels own cattle and work oxen and asses in heaven? In the Advent heaven here there may be some among those who believe such tomfoolery. Again, "Man servants, maid servants," this means bond slaves, such as Jews owned in those days. Listen, "Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's wife, man servants nor maid servants, nor his ox nor his ass." Do angels own slaves? Could they covet another man's wife? Did Adam have slaves in Eden? Will the redeemed own them hereafter?

What nonsense says D. M. Canright since his eyes are opened, after teaching such nonsensical stuff for 23 years. I cheerfully confess that this correspondence, (not discussion) was not conducted in the proper manner, such a thing as having a fair and honorable discussion with a seventh day Advent is hard to find. I blame the system, not so much the preachers, for they have to obey orders.

Before we part, permit me to give you a few more of these hard nuts to crack, for it will be a long time ere we meet again I am sure. What proof have you that a single human being knew aught in regard to God's resting on creation on the seventh day, until God made it known at Sinai? What proof have you that God at creation hallowed the 7th day, revealed to man that he had hallowed the 7th day for man's observance as a rest before the events recorded in Ex. 16 and 20 chapters. With the fact before you that Genesis was not written until nearly 40 years after the events and 2,550 years after creation. What proof have you that a single being knew aught of a rest, or that God required any human being to observe the 7th day as a rest until they transpired? God commanded Israel to observe a rest, because he had given them a rest from bondage, could the command have been given before the events which it commanded had transpired.

Did God require any one except a Jew to rest on the 7th day? Can you find in the bible a shadow of authority for your course in assembling for worship on the 7th day Sabbath? Can any Sabbatharian quote the verse where Jewish christians worshipped on the 7th day. What authority have you in the new testament for your worship on the seventh day? Was not the observance of the 7th day observed by Israel ALONE and by doing nothing at home, as much a national civil observance as the fourth of July.

Where did you find in the bible the worship of our day the first day, in connection with the 7th day Sabbath.

Is the 4th command the Sabbath day ever made part of the law given from Christ through the Apostles the law that went forth from Zion, and not from Sinai.

Can anything be more utterly baseless—more flatly in contradiction to all bible teaching than 7th dayism. J. B. DAISLEY.

Owing to hard times Chas. H. Dodd & Co. will take wheat at 40c per bushel for any purchase of implements or vehicles before shipping their stock on Oct. 1st.

Miss Woodruff's Reply.

ED. PRESS: The Athena Press of September 15th, asked me the following questions:

"Will the county superintendent explain why she does not apportion the state funds, also why the delay in apportioning the county funds? We would also call the attention of the superintendent to section 24, page 15, of the school laws of Oregon as compiled in 1891."

Answer to first question: No state funds have been received by me. Consequently I cannot apportion them.

Answer to second question: There was no delay in apportioning the county funds. Those funds were placed to my order August 21st, and on August 28, the orders were sent to the proper school districts. That was as soon as the necessary clerical work could be done; it was two weeks sooner than the apportionment in Union and other counties.

As I have performed my official duty promptly obeyed the law in all respects, section 24, page 15, of the school law of Oregon as compiled in 1891, does not interest me in the least.

HARRIETTE C. WOODRUFF,
County School Supt.

[Yet the PRESS was asked, as a special favor by a friend of the Supt. to say nothing about the delay in the county apportionment—Ed.]

A Good Scheme.

The farmers of the Palouse country have solved the sack problem. They have determined to build granaries and store their wheat at home and haul it as they see fit, using seamless sacks or wagon beds, for hauling. They say that the saving in storage until the first of the year, will nearly cover the expense of erecting granaries.

It seems that if this plan were adopted by the farmers of Umatilla county, it would be of great benefit, and especially this year, when sacks are so scarce. In this way they would be more independent, and could hold their grain as long as they please without storage eating it up.

While this plan might seem very expensive for the first year, yet when the amount paid for storage and insurance is considered, it will be seen that this money is saved, and can be applied to building granaries which will not only add to the value of the farm, but will put the farmers in an independent position, so far as sacks are concerned, and will have full control of his grain until he sees fit to sell.

Couldn't See It That Way.

John Gillis and the "Little Tootsie Comedy Co", had a little difficulty over the renting of Gillis hall, yesterday. The advance agent for the company had leased the hall for one night, and when the company arrived, they wanted a change made in the position of the stage and a partition removed. Mr. Gillis couldn't see it that way as the stage was in its present position when he leased it to their agent, as was also the partition. The manager quietly rented the Morris building and proceeded to remove his effects, but John caught onto his little racket and locked the hall door. A lady belonging to the combination went up and informed John that she wanted her baggage. He told her that it would afford him much pleasure to accommodate her, but, owing to the present financial stringency, he could not do so until the company paid him the rent for the hall, as they had contracted to do. The company finally came to the conclusion that this was the best way out of the difficulty, paid the rent, and last night gave an entertainment in the Morris building.

From "Saint's Rest."

A report has been current in Milton this week that Athena is dead. A tomb-stone consigned to that place passed through our city on Wednesday, which leads many citizens to believe that perhaps there is some truth in the rumor.—Milton Eagle.

Far from it brother. Athena is taking in more wheat and selling more goods than any other town in the "east end," and if you doubt it, come over and we will show up. Dead! well, hardly, and when we think of the big iron dollar that Milton fruit peddlers take out of Athena, and which goes a long way toward keeping the mossback inhabitants of "Saints Rest" from slumbering "neath the virgin green," the above item makes us hot in the collar.

MARRIED.

WILLIS—DURANT—In Pendleton sept 17th 1893 Abe Willis and Miss Devania Durant.

BORN.

GOOD—At the residence in Pendleton, on Tuesday, September 19, to Mr and Mrs Good, a daughter.

DIED.

BYRNE—Fossey, infant daughter of Mr and Mrs. Ben Byrne, at the residence in Pendleton on September 19 1893, aged 9 months.

PENTON—At Weston, Sept 17th Elijah Penton Knox—in Weston, September 19th, 1893, Mr. Adam Knox, aged 65 years, 4 months and 5 days.

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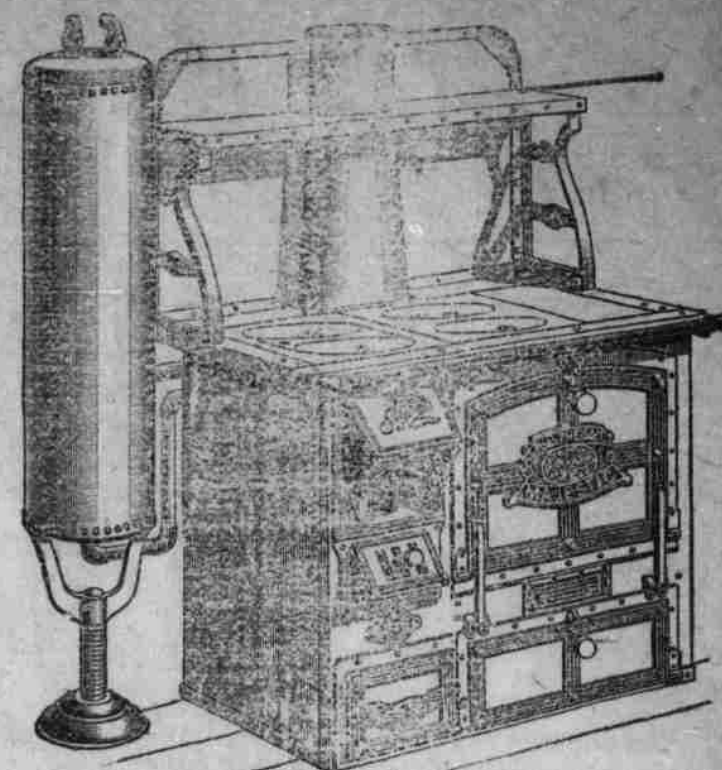
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